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# Weekly Coal Production

Production for Week Ended:  
March 9, 1991



See State  
Coal Profile

## Preface

The *Weekly Coal Production (WCP)* provides weekly estimates of U.S. coal production by State. Supplementary data are usually published monthly in two supplements: the Coal Exports and Imports Supplement and the Domestic Market Supplement. The Coal Exports and Imports Supplement contains detailed monthly data on U.S. coal and coke exports and imports. The Domestic Market Supplement contains detailed monthly electric utility coal statistics, by Census Division and State, for generation, consumption, stocks, receipts, sulfur content, prices, and the origin and destination of coal shipments. This supplement also contains summary-level, monthly data for all coal-consuming sectors on a quarterly basis.

Preliminary coal production data are published quarterly, based on production data collected using Form EIA-6, "Coal Distribution Report." Based on 1988 and 1989 data, the coal production estimation error for a quarter at the national level (i.e., the difference between the sum of the weekly estimates for a quarter and the quarterly EIA-6 preliminary data) ranges from 1 percent to 4 percent for 1988 and 1 percent to 2 percent for 1989.

Final coal production data are published annually, based on the EIA-7A coal production survey. Based

on 1988 and 1989 data, the revision error for a quarter at the national level (i.e., the difference between the EIA-6 preliminary data and the EIA-7A final data) ranges from 0.02 percent to 0.08 percent for 1988 and 0.09 percent to 0.14 percent for 1989.

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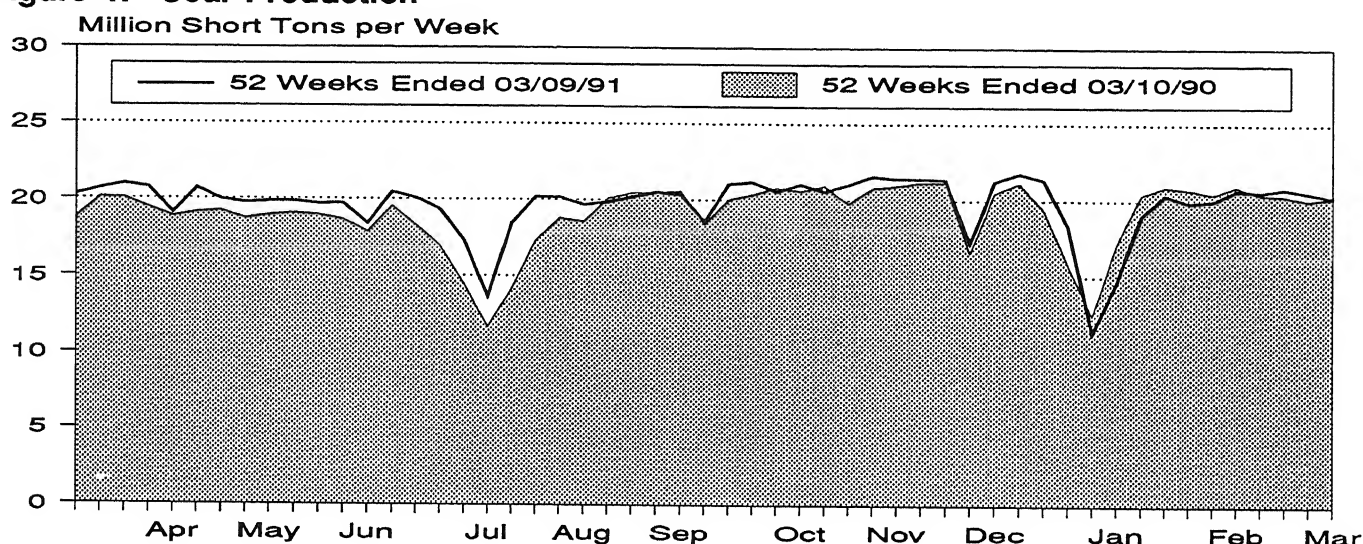
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## Summary

U.S. coal production in the week ended March 9, 1991, as estimated by the Energy Information Administration, totaled 20 million short tons, about the same as in the previous week, and in the comparable week

in 1990. Production east of the Mississippi River totaled 12 million short tons, and production west of the Mississippi River totaled 9 million short tons.

**Figure 1. Coal Production**



**Table 1. Coal Production**

	Week Ended			52 Weeks Ended		
Production and Carloadings	03/09/91	03/02/91	03/10/90	03/09/91	03/10/90	Percent Change
Production (Thousand Short Tons)						
Bituminous <sup>1</sup> and Lignite . . . . .	20,211	20,508	20,210	1,025,088	990,200	3.5
Pennsylvania Anthracite . . . . .	48	54	53	3,062	3,196	-4.2
U.S. Total . . . . .	20,260	20,561	20,263	1,028,150	993,397	3.5
Railroad Cars Loaded . . . . .	128,386	130,478	129,049	6,646,266	6,441,567	

<sup>1</sup>Includes subbituminous coal.

Notes: All data are preliminary. Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding.

Sources: Association of American Railroads, Transportation Division, Weekly Statement CS-54A; Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-6, "Coal Distribution Report"; Form EIA-7A, "Coal Production Report"; and State mining agency coal production reports.

**Table 2. Coal Production by State**  
(Thousand Short Tons)

Region and State	Week Ended		
	03/09/91	03/02/91	03/10/90
<b>Bituminous Coal<sup>1</sup> and Lignite</b>			
<b>East of the Mississippi</b> . . . . .	<b>11,504</b>	<b>11,996</b>	<b>12,676</b>
Alabama . . . . .	507	516	564
Illinois . . . . .	1,283	1,243	1,246
Indiana . . . . .	678	743	759
Kentucky . . . . .	3,042	3,199	3,384
Kentucky, Eastern . . . . .	2,370	2,455	2,525
Kentucky, Western . . . . .	672	744	859
Maryland . . . . .	57	60	71
Ohio . . . . .	664	694	721
Pennsylvania Bituminous . . . . .	1,123	1,297	1,498
Tennessee . . . . .	139	136	133
Virginia . . . . .	860	845	1,043
West Virginia . . . . .	3,151	3,263	3,258
<b>West of the Mississippi</b> . . . . .	<b>8,708</b>	<b>8,512</b>	<b>7,534</b>
Alaska . . . . .	33	34	29
Arizona . . . . .	233	236	243
Arkansas . . . . .	*	*	*
Colorado . . . . .	406	339	374
Iowa . . . . .	7	7	7
Kansas . . . . .	17	17	18
Louisiana . . . . .	60	52	61
Missouri . . . . .	44	45	54
Montana . . . . .	816	785	691
New Mexico . . . . .	466	521	443
North Dakota . . . . .	672	646	556
Oklahoma . . . . .	31	30	35
Texas . . . . .	1,077	1,094	1,049
Utah . . . . .	451	385	442
Washington . . . . .	112	114	96
Wyoming . . . . .	4,282	4,206	3,436
<b>Bituminous<sup>1</sup> and Lignite Total</b> . . . .	<b>20,211</b>	<b>20,508</b>	<b>20,210</b>
<b>Pennsylvania Anthracite</b> . . . . .	<b>48</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>U.S. Total</b> . . . . .	<b>20,260</b>	<b>20,561</b>	<b>20,263</b>

<sup>1</sup>Includes subbituminous coal.

\*Less than 0.5 thousand short tons.

Notes: All data are preliminary. Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding.

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# State Coal Profile: Ohio

## Total Area of State:

41,222 square miles

## Area Underlain by Coal:

10,000 square miles

## Demonstrated Reserve Base of Coal: (January 1, 1990)

19 billion short tons  
(4 percent of U.S. total)

## First Year of Documented Coal Production:

1800 (100 short tons)

## Peak Year of Coal Production:

1970 (55 million short tons)

## 1989 Coal Production:

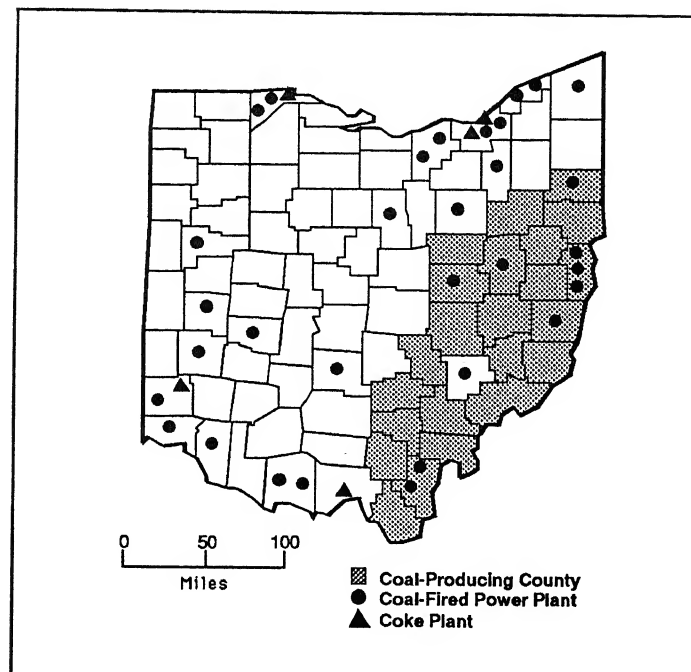
34 million short tons  
(3 percent of U.S. total)

## 1989 f.o.b. Mine Price:

\$30.49 per short ton  
(U.S. average = \$21.82)

## 1989 Coal Consumption:

61 million short tons  
(7 percent of U.S. total)



## 1990 Coal Exports through Cleveland Customs District:

10 million short tons  
(10 percent of U.S. total)

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage of U.S. Total</u>
<b>Number of Mines (1989)</b> .....	184	5
Underground .....	14	<1
Surface .....	170	9
<b>Number of Miners (1989)</b> <b>(at mines producing more than 10,000 short tons)</b> .....	7,374	6
Underground .....	2,953	4
Surface .....	4,421	9
<b>Average Quality of Utility Coal Receipts (1989)</b>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>U.S. Average</u>
<b>Heat Content</b> (million Btu per short ton) .....	23.7	20.9
<b>Sulfur Content</b> (percent by weight) .....	2.5	1.3
<b>Ash Content</b> (percent by weight) .....	11.5	9.9



Coal is the most valuable mineral resource in Ohio. Coal production in 1989 was valued at about \$1 billion, representing more than 40 percent of the total value of all minerals produced in the State, including crude oil and natural gas.

The coal reserves of Ohio consist entirely of bituminous coal, and are located in the eastern part of the State. As mined, the coal has a heat content ranging from 16 to 28 million Btu per short ton, a sulfur content from 1 to 10 percent by weight, and an ash content of 2 to 40 percent by weight. Among the 20 coalbeds currently mined, the principal three are the Pittsburgh, the Sewickley, and the Middle Kittanning. Together these coalbeds account for more than half of the State's total production.

Coal production in Ohio began in the 1800's, with coal being first used as a source of household heat during the winter. Later, coal was used by small industries, such as blacksmithing and brickmaking, and as a fuel for evaporating brine in the salt industry. In 1827, flatboats carried the first shipments of coal to Cleveland via the Ohio-Erie Canal for use in steamboats. As early as 1835, when production was less than 53,000 short tons, coal was shipped down the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers for use in sugar refineries at New Orleans. By 1875, due to the canal systems and the expansion of the railroads across the State, coal production rose to more than 5 million short tons.

The presence of coal suitable for use in blast furnaces plus the occurrence of iron ore and limestone gave a tremendous impetus to both coal mining and the development of the iron and steel industry in the State. Scores of furnaces were built throughout eastern and southeastern Ohio in the middle and late 1800's. Increasing quantities of coal were also mined for heating purposes. By the end of World War I in 1918, coal output had risen to 46 million short tons.

From the 1920's until World War II, coal production in Ohio was on a downward trend, reaching the lowest level in this century (14 million short tons) in 1932. This decline was due partly to the Depression, and partly to the greater use of oil and natural gas by both industrial and residential consumers. The industrial demand during World War II gave an impetus to the coal industry, and production trended upward over the next three decades to an all-time high of 55 million short tons in 1970. Since then, Ohio's coal output, with its high sulfur content, has been adversely affected by the enactment of clean air legislation. As a consequence, annual production has been on another downward trend to 34 million short tons in 1989.

Coal in Ohio is currently mined by both underground and surface methods. Underground

mining was the chief source of coal production until World War II, when surface production began to increase rapidly. In 1989, surface mining accounted for more than two-thirds of the coal produced. During that year, Ohio coal miner productivity averaged 2.5 short tons per hour at surface mines and 2.0 short tons at underground mines, both a little below the average for the Appalachian Region.

In 1989, Ohio coal consumption of 61 million short tons ranked second in the Nation. Coal consumption has declined from a record level of 73 million short tons in 1977, due to the drop in demand in the industrial sector. Electric utilities are the principal consumers, with 50 million short tons in 1989. Industrial use of coal in Ohio declined from 16 million short tons in 1980 to 10 million short tons in 1989, primarily due to a decline in the State's steel industry. Over the period, the number of coke plants dropped from 12 to 5, and consumption of coking coal fell by 50 percent to 5 million short tons. Nearly all of the coking coal consumed in Ohio came from Kentucky and West Virginia; less than 1 percent was produced in the State. The paper industry was the largest user in the manufacturing sector, with 1 million short tons, followed by primary metals, chemicals, and cement industries.

Trucks are the leading mode of transportation for coal in Ohio, moving nearly 12 million short tons in 1989. Ohio, a major terminus for coal barges since the early 19th century, is currently the only State to ship more coal by this mode than by rail. In 1989, barges carried 9 million short tons of coal, and tramways and conveyors carried 8 million short tons, while less than 4 million short tons were moved by train.

Although less than 1 million short tons of coal produced in Ohio were exported in 1990, more than 10 million short tons of coal produced in other States were exported through the Cleveland Customs District. This district, the third-largest coal-exporting district, handled 10 percent of the Nation's coal exports in 1990.

Coal-fired generation provided 90 percent of Ohio's electricity in 1989, with nuclear power generation accounting for nearly all of the remainder. To accommodate electricity demand and maintain stock levels, 24 million tons of Ohio coal was distributed to Ohio utilities in 1989. Although this figure represents 70 percent of the State's coal production, it represented only 45 percent of the coal required for electricity generation. Ohio utilities supplemented their supply with 28 million short tons of coal, chiefly from West Virginia and Kentucky.

Coal-fired electric generating units represent 85 percent of the State's net generating capability. In 1989, Ohio's coal-fired net summer generating

capability was about 22,000 megawatts out of a total capability of nearly 26,000 megawatts. The largest of the State's power plants are the Ohio Power Company's 2,600 megawatt coal-fired General James M. Gavin plant in Gallia County, and the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company's J.M. Stuart plant in Adams County, with 2,340 megawatts of coal-fired capability.

Ohio has been involved in several innovative coal industry developments. For example, the first U.S. commercial coal slurry pipeline (Eastlake) was constructed in Ohio and operated from 1957 to its closing in 1963. In 1969, the world's largest walking dragline, "Big Muskie" was constructed. The mammoth dragline has a bucket capacity of 220 cubic yards and recently assisted in reclaiming a mining site near Zanesville, that will be converted into the International Center for the Preservation of Wild Animals.

Ohio's innovation continues with the William H. Zimmer Plant near Cincinnati, Ohio, due to come on line in the Spring of 1991. The plant, initially planned as an 800-megawatt nuclear plant, attracted international attention when it was redesigned as a coal-powered operation with a capability of 1,286 megawatts.

Several State and Federal clean coal programs are aimed at making Ohio's high-sulfur coal environmentally acceptable. One project, the Calderon Energy Company, in Alliance, Ohio, involves the production of methanol. Another project, at the Ohio State University, involves researching the in-duct spraying of coal. This process utilizes limestone to reduce sulfur emissions up to 40 percent. Both projects are funded by the Ohio Coal Development Office.

A third project, involving two phases, achieved its first significant environmental test results in April 1990 at the Ohio Edison Company's Edgewater plant in Lorain, Ohio. The project is part of the U.S. Department of Energy's Clean Coal Technology Program, a joint industry and government venture to demonstrate the clean and efficient burning of coal.

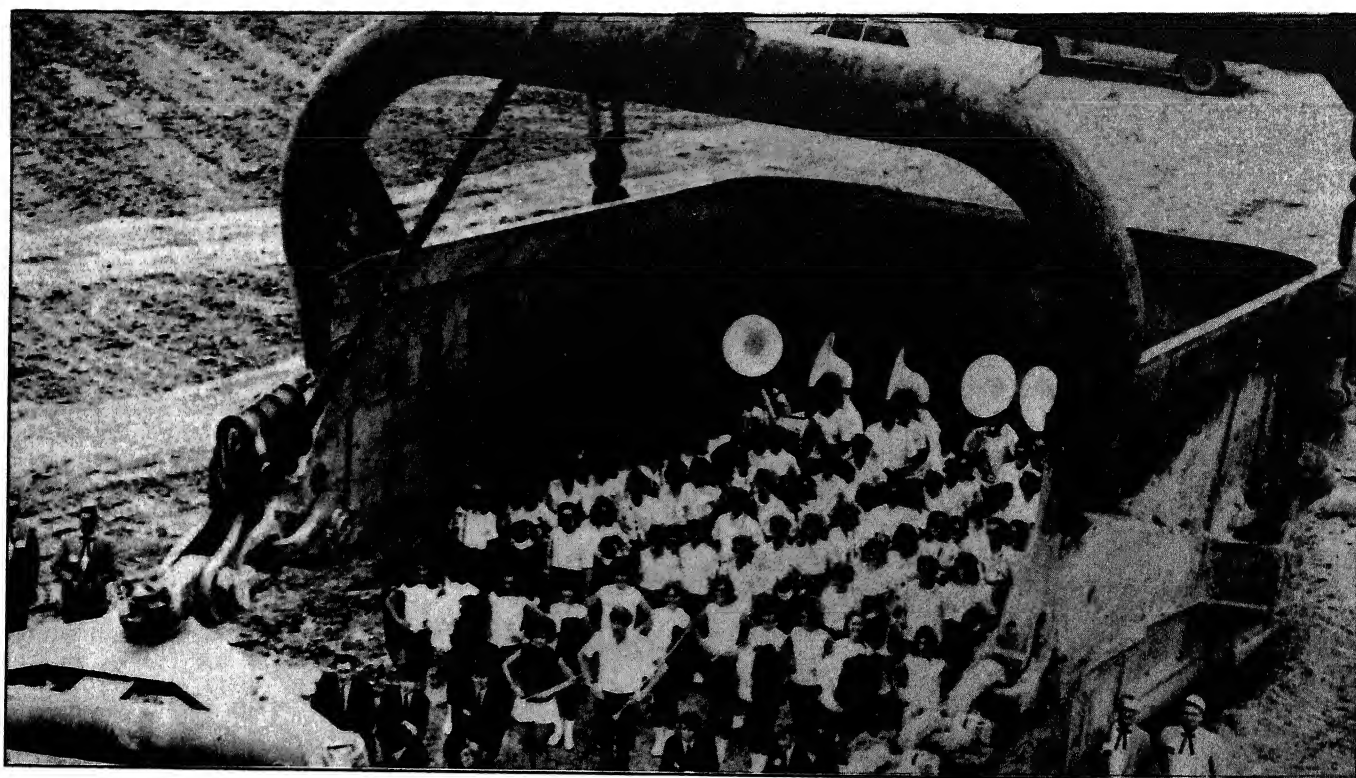
The Consolidation Coal Company developed the "Coolside" process used at the Edgewater plant. This process removes as much as 70 percent of the sulfur pollutants from the plant's exhaust gases. Following the success of the "Coolside" process, the Babcock & Wilcox Company has begun the second phase of the project, the commercial demonstration of a limestone injection process to reduce sulfur dioxide and nitrous oxide emissions. This demonstration is one of eight Ohio projects selected to receive Federal funding.

Ohio's coal production is expected to remain relatively stable over the next few years. Coal's dominance in the State's utility fuel market is expected to continue. Coal-fired generating units will account for 60 percent of the 2,086 megawatts of new capacity scheduled to come on line in Ohio by 1996.

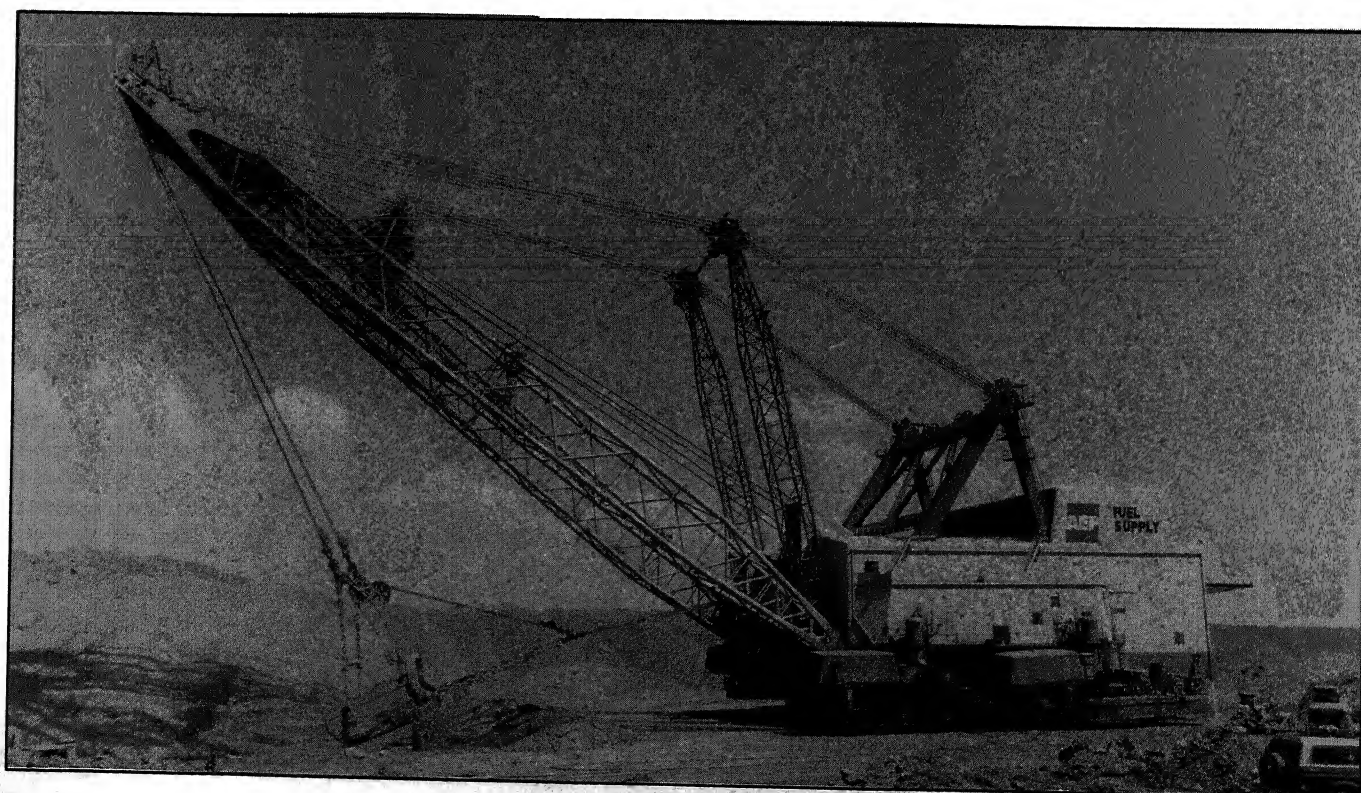
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